



## COVID-19 Updates & Important Information

~APRIL 8, 2021~

### All Loudoun Residents 16 & Older Encouraged to Pre-Register Now for COVID-19 Vaccine

All Loudoun Residents  
Age 16 & Older  
Encouraged to  
Pre-Register for a  
COVID-19 Vaccine

PRE-REGISTER AT

[vaccinate.virginia.gov](https://vaccinate.virginia.gov)



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The Loudoun County Health Department encourages all Loudoun County residents who are 16 years and older and who have not yet pre-registered for a COVID-19 vaccine online or by phone to do so now in preparation for Phase 2 of the county's vaccination efforts.

Everyone age 16 years and older is eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine in [Phase 2 of Virginia's vaccination plan](#). Please note that anyone under 18 receiving the vaccine must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at their vaccination appointment.

Loudoun County will join all health districts in Virginia in advancing to Phase 2 of the vaccination plan no later than April 18, 2021.

[Learn More](#)

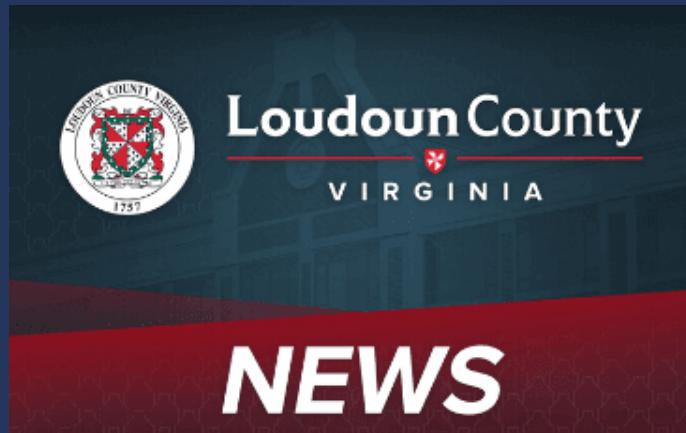
## Health Director Provides COVID-19 Update

Loudoun County Health Director Dr. David Goodfriend updated the Board of Supervisors on COVID-19 at the Board's April 6, 2021, business meeting.

He provided information on the county's vaccination efforts, including this week's expansion of vaccination opportunities in Loudoun to include all people who are in the Virginia Department of Health's [Phase 1c priority group](#), which includes people in 13 categories of front-line essential workers.

Dr. Goodfriend also expressed concern about the existence of the variants of the virus that causes COVID-19 and said the presence of the variants makes it all the more important for people to continue to take steps to prevent the spread of the virus such as wearing masks, staying six feet from others and avoiding non-essential travel.

[Watch the archived video of the discussion](#)



## Message from the Commissioner of the Revenue: COVID-19 Impacts Vehicle Values for 2021



Commissioner of the Revenue Robert S. Wertz Jr. wants vehicle owners in Loudoun County to know that they could see increases in their personal property tax bills that are due on May 5, 2021.

This **is not** due to a tax rate increase or reduction in tax relief but instead is due to increases in used vehicle values.

In early 2020, vehicle values were trending normally. However, COVID-19 has altered the usual trends of the automobile industry. As a result, all major vehicle valuation services saw increased used vehicle market values between January 2020 and January 2021. During the summer of 2020, prices increased over 10% for the U.S. used car market as a whole.

[Read More](#)

## COVID-19 Testing Continues Next Week

Loudoun County's series of free COVID-19 testing events continues:

**April 13, 2021**  
**10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**  
Cascades Library  
21030 Whitfield Place,  
Potomac Falls

The drive-thru testing events are being held every Tuesday through April at various locations in the county.

Please note, these are not mass testing events; a limited number of tests will be available based on the capacity of each location.

### Registration Form

Download the form, fill out the form, print the form, and bring completed forms with you to the testing site. If you do not have access to a printer or do not fill out a form in advance, forms will also be available at the testing site.

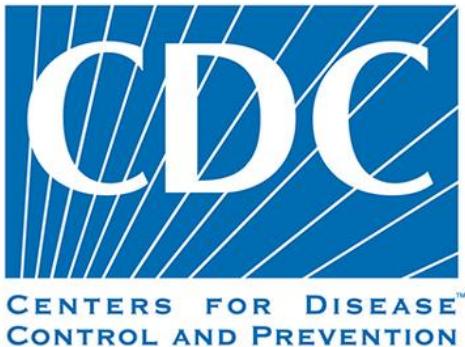
The form is required and asks for general information including name, date of birth, address, phone number and current symptoms, if any. Your information will be kept private.

[Registration form English \(PDF\)](#) | [Español \(PDF\)](#)

[Get More Information](#)

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## New COVID-19 Cleaning Guidance



Soap and water may be all that's needed to keep surfaces coronavirus-free in your home, according to the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Health officials say normal cleaning of surfaces will protect you from the coronavirus on a daily basis. While previous guidelines had encouraged fully

disinfecting high-touch areas in your home, the CDC now says that cleaning areas with soap is enough to reduce the risk of surface transmission. Disinfecting surfaces, such as using bleach, is only necessary if somebody with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 has been inside the home in the past 24 hours.

[See the Latest Guidance](#)

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## Sterling Foundation Spring

Please join the Sterling Foundation **this Saturday, April 10th at 9:00 am** for their Spring Boulevard Clean Up event.

Beautifying Sterling Boulevard is one of the Sterling Foundation's key initiatives as the median is not maintained by the Virginia Department of Transportation. This weekend's clean up will prepare Sterling Boulevard for the first mowing of 2021.

Closed-toed shoes, long pants and long-sleeved shirts that you do not mind getting dirty, sun block, bug spray and a water bottle are recommended.

For more information and event details, please visit the Sterling Foundation's [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

## Spring Boulevard Clean Up



April 10 @ 9 am  
Meet at Briar Patch Park 

## Loudoun County Law Enforcement Partner with DEA for Nationwide Prescription Take-Back Day

 **National Prescription Drug Take Back Day**  
**Saturday, April 24, 2021**  
**10:00 am - 2:00 pm**

Stop by any of the below Loudoun County locations and safely drop off your unused or expired medications for safe disposal.

- LCSO Ashburn Station - 20272 Savin Hill Drive, **Ashburn**
- LCSO Dulles South Station - 25216 Loudoun County Pkwy., **Chantilly**
- LCSO Eastern Loudoun Station - 46620 E. Frederick Drive, **Sterling**
- LCSO Western Loudoun Station - 47 W. Loudoun Street, **Round Hill**
- Leesburg PD - Wegmans, 101 Crossrail Boulevard, SE, **Leesburg**
- Middleburg PD - Town Hall, 10 W. Marshall Street, **Middleburg**
- Purcellville PD Station - 125 Hirst Road, Suite 7a, **Purcellville**

**ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:** Prescription medications, Over-The-Counter Medications, Medical Samples, and Pet Medications. We will also be accepting: vaping devices and cartridges- batteries must be removed.

**NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:** Needles, Epi Pens, Thermometers, Batteries, IV Bags, Blood or Infectious Waste, Liquids, Gels or Sprays.

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office, Town of Leesburg Police Department, Town of the Middleburg Police Department, and the Town of Purcellville Police Department have once again partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in the "Take-Back" initiative that

seeks to prevent increased pill abuse and theft. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Loudoun County residents can discard potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs for destruction on Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at seven sites in the county.

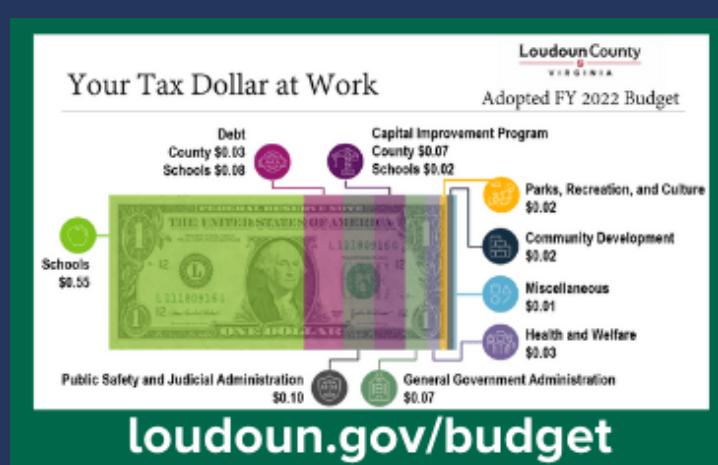
### **Sterling Drop Off Location**

Eastern Loudoun Sheriff's Station  
46620 East Frederick Drive, Sterling, VA

[Get More Info on Locations and Acceptable Items](#)

## **Board of Supervisors Adopts FY 2022 Budget; Lowers Tax Rate by 5.5 Cents**

The Loudoun County Board of Supervisors has approved a budget totaling approximately \$3.3 billion in total appropriations for the general county government and school system for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022. The adopted budget includes a real property tax rate of \$0.980 per \$100 in assessed value, 5.5 cents lower than the current tax rate.



The FY 2022 adopted budget includes:

- An increase over FY 2021 of approximately \$68 million in local tax funding to Loudoun County Public Schools (7.2% increase over last year).
- \$9.5 million in base budget adjustments the county's budget to continue providing current services, including increases in contracts and ongoing maintenance agreements, lease and utility increases and inflationary impacts.
- An increase of \$12.4 million for employee compensation, which includes a 3% merit increase and a step increase for public safety employees.

- The addition of 168 positions in 20 different county departments to open new facilities, maintain or enhance current service levels, support the county's Capital Improvement Program and position the organization to pursue the Board's strategic priorities.
- An increase of \$45.3 million to fund debt service and capital needs of the county government and LCPS.

[More Details](#)

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## Loudoun Economic Development Announces 2021 Innovation Challenge



The Loudoun County Economic Development Authority has announced the dates for the 2021 Loudoun Innovation Challenge, the second-annual competition for entrepreneurs seeking to take their business to the next level.

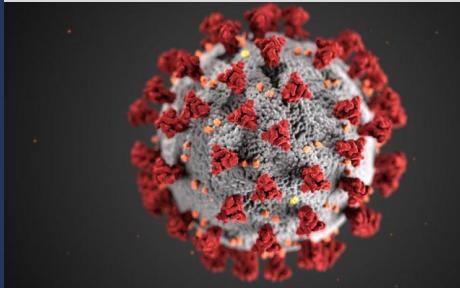
Loudoun EDA has dedicated \$150,000 in funding, this year dividing it among six total grants.

The window for applications will open during National Small Business Week, at **noon on May 3**, remaining open for two weeks and **closing at noon on May 17, 2021**. After a rigorous review and pitch process by EDA directors, members of the business community, and Loudoun Economic Development staff, a first prize grant of \$40,000 will be awarded, along with other runner up awards.

[Learn More](#)

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### Stay Informed!



The county continues to encourage everyone in the community to take steps to limit the spread of COVID-19, which include:

- Wear a mask/face covering ([see requirements](#))
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer only if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when

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Loudoun County encourages residents to stay informed about COVID-19

- To receive email updates on COVID-19, visit [loudoun.gov/coronavirus](http://loudoun.gov/coronavirus).
- Text **LCCOVID19** to **888777** to receive text alerts from Loudoun County about COVID-19.
- Envíe un mensaje de texto con **LCCOVIDESP** al **888777** para actualizaciones diarias relacionadas con el coronavirus (COVID-19) en el condado de Loudoun.

Residents with questions about COVID-19 may call the Loudoun County Health Department's information line, 703-737-8300, or email [health@loudoun.gov](mailto:health@loudoun.gov).

- coughing or sneezing.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
  - Stay home when you are sick.
  - Avoid contact with sick people.
  - Avoid non-essential travel.

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